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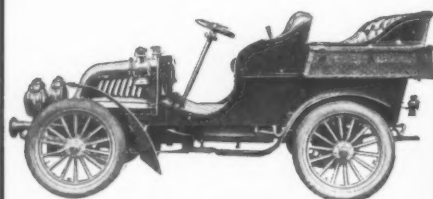
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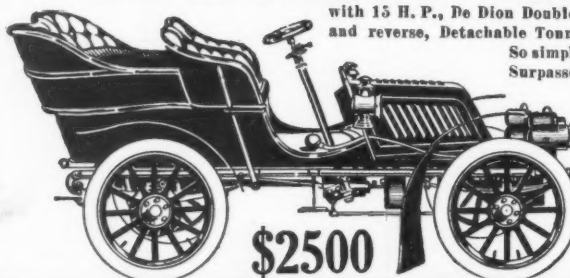
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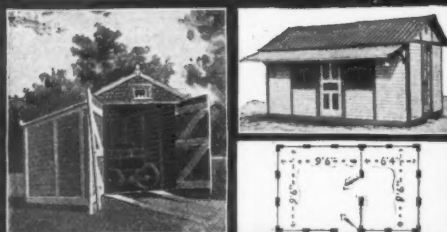
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June.

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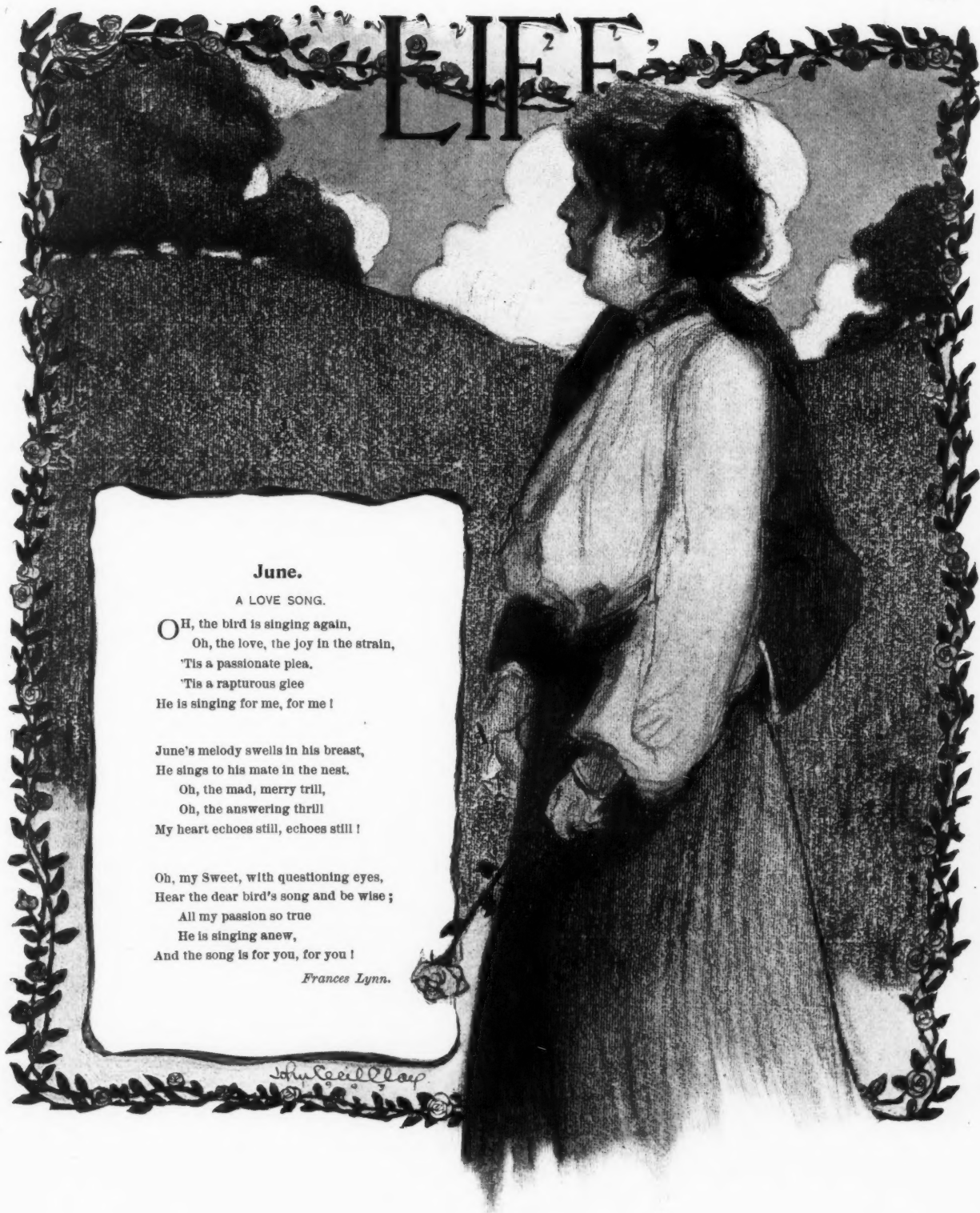
O H, the bird is singing again,
Oh, the love, the joy in the strain,
'Tis a passionate plea.
'Tis a rapturous glee
He is singing for me, for me !

June's melody swells in his breast,
He sings to his mate in the nest.
Oh, the mad, merry trill,
Oh, the answering thrill
My heart echoes still, echoes still !

Oh, my Sweet, with questioning eyes,
Hear the dear bird's song and be wise ;
All my passion so true
He is singing anew,
And the song is for you, for you !

Frances Lynn.

John Cecil Clapp





"While there is Life there's Hope."
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PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT seems to believe in the popular boarding-house maxim, "If you don't see what you want, ask for it!" He did not see in Ohio the desired unanimity of disposition to have the coming Republican State Convention endorse him for a second term. Did he grieve? Did he get behind a California big tree and comment on the ingratitude of republics? Not a sigh; not a comment. He simply telegraphed Senator Hanna please to get in line, and Senator Hanna got in line.

When President Roosevelt knows his own mind he is apt to disclose it, and he finds out his own mind promptly a good deal of the time. There is an engaging candor about him which, in the long run, does him pretty good service. "I would like," he says, "to have another term." It is an honorable and timely aspiration, and there is no particular reason for making a mystery of it, yet it is something out of common to blurt it out. For all that any prophet can see to the contrary, it is going to be realized, hands down. But a far saner Democratic party than has existed since 1896 will take part in the coming dispute, and there will be no free silver issue next year. It helped one realize how deep that issue is now buried when Dr. E. Benjamin Andrews made public confession the other day that he had been misled and "inex-

cusably mistaken" in believing that free silver was necessary. Bryan is no better than a widow-man now. His cartwheel consort is clean, done dead, and Dr. Andrews has officiated at the funeral.



PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S attentions to the negro and his problem have solidified the South. But is that all? Maybe not. Public opinion about the Southern negro has been moving steadily in one direction for a good while, and moving pretty fast. But it might turn! The North has come to think that the South knows more about making the bed of Southern negroes than the North does. The North is willing enough to let the South make the negro's bed if it makes it wisely, but if once the North gets the notion that the bed-making is too Procrustean, it will be just as solid on the negro question as the South is, but on the other side. The idiots who sent money to the golden chambermaid of Indianapolis were sowing tares in what is still a very likely wheat field. The North believes very generally now that it is best for the Southern negro to live like his Northern brother in States that are under political control of white men, but if exclusive political control by whites in the South can ever be shown to result in oppression and the restriction of the negro's civil rights, there will be a howl, and a landslide for any Republican candidate for President who may happen to be running. There is always a political issue hidden in the intricacies of the negro problem, and those golden-chambermaid enthusiasts would do well to remember it.



THE Paris-Madrid automobile race illustrated anew how much more foolish men are apt to be collectively than as individuals. Most of the individuals who entered that race had sense enough, presumably, not to risk their own lives and the lives of others, running their devil-wagons at mile-a-minute speed through lanes of human

beings. But because there were two hundred of them, individual sense went for nothing. They drove desperately ahead at enormous speed, with the shocking results that the newspapers have related.

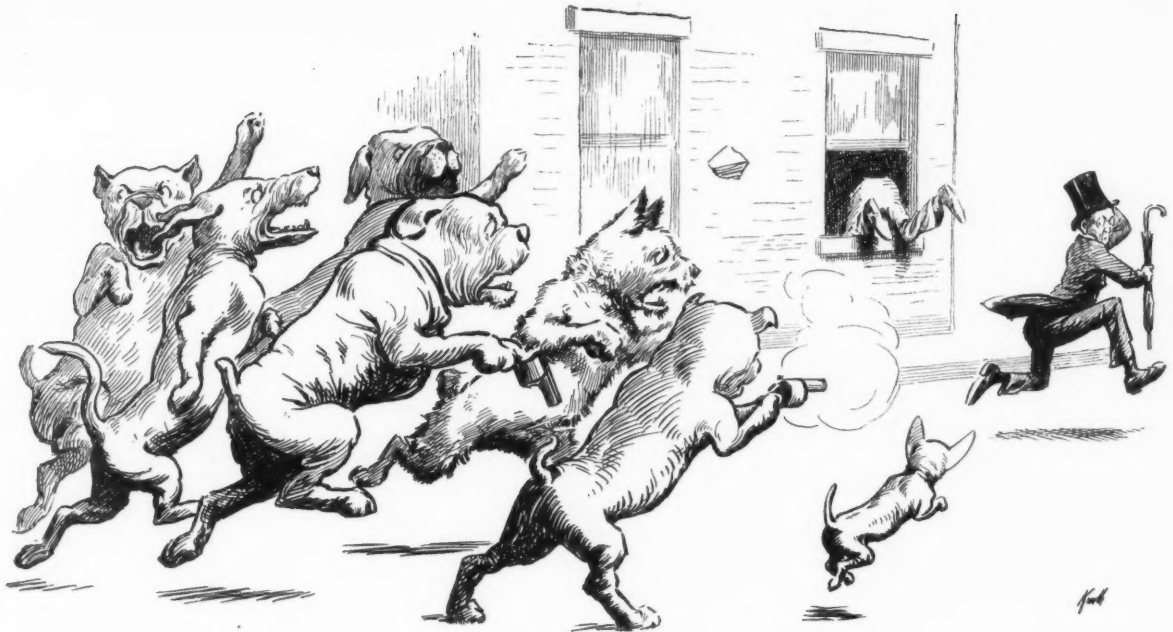
Why must automobiles race at all, any more than railroad locomotives? There is no practical use for automobile speeds exceeding thirty or forty miles an hour. Such speed as sixty, eighty, or ninety miles an hour on a highway is obviously homicidal and no more fit to be encouraged than other forms of crime.



OUR friend, the *Boston Transcript*, falls upon us for speaking of St. Louis as "a city of the second class." "St. Louis," it says, "holds more people than Boston." "Surely LIFE would not have the temerity to term Boston a second-class city."

No! brother, no! No wise journal would call Boston a "second-class city," nor St. Louis either, but either one, without the least disparagement, may be called "a city of the second class." There is a difference between the two phrases which a Boston newspaper must certainly appreciate. The former is colloquial, and, by usage, implies a defect in quality; but the latter, though imperfectly definite, is descriptive and technical, and concerns comparative size and little else. It has almost nothing to do with quality. Neither Boston nor St. Louis belongs in the group of the greatest cities in the world, such as have usually been chosen for world's fairs. London, New York and Paris are unquestionably cities of the first class. It is matter of opinion whether to include in the same group Berlin, Chicago, Vienna, Canton, Tokio, Philadelphia and St. Petersburg. A very big town like London or New York can handle a hundred thousand visitors more easily than a town the size of Boston or St. Louis.

That is all, brother. Boston "a second-class city!" Perish the thought! When *all* is said, the real head of the table is, of course, the seat that faces the beans.



TURN ABOUT IS FAIR PLAY.

WHENEVER A CRIME IS COMMITTED, LET OUR CANINE FRIENDS ENDEAVOR TO PUT AN END TO EVERY HUMAN BEING FOUND ON THE PUBLIC THOROUGHFARES.

His Reason.



"AND so you refuse even to make the effort to enter into society."

In response to his friend's protest the tall, handsome man bowed in silent assent.

"It is too much to ask," he said. "I have spent a life in hard work, and I need the rest."

His friend laughed.

"Nonsense!" he replied; "you are in the prime of life, have accumulated millions, and are just the man. What is the particular thing that makes you hesitate?"

"If you must know," said the other, "it is this:

I don't know whether to wear a Tuxedo coat with a white tie, or whether a black waistcoat should ever be worn with full dress or not. Is it proper to wear a black tie with a dress coat, or a white tie with a white waistcoat, or a black tie with a black waistcoat? Shall I say 'waistcoat' or 'vest,' and shall I say 'full dress' or 'evening dress'? Do I want a velvet or a silk collar on my coat, and when shall I wear an opera hat and when a silk hat? Would it be proper to wear an opera hat with a sweater, or a silk hat with a flannel shirt? Is it right to wear a frock coat before

breakfast, and how many studs shall I have in my shirt bosom? Again, shall my shirt cuffs be round or square? Some say round, some say square. These are questions that torture me. No, no, my friend, I cannot take up this burden."

And his friend shook his hand in silent sympathy. He understood at last.

"Timeo Danaos et Dona Ferentes."

SPEAKING of Rockefeller's gift to the University of Nebraska, there are some cranks, and possibly a few others, who are not thoroughly well assured of the propriety of a State university accepting gifts.

The old universities are mostly down on their knees at the feet of Mammon, begging his favor. If they are not grinding Mammon's ax, it is simply because Mammon happens not to have an ax to grind at the moment.

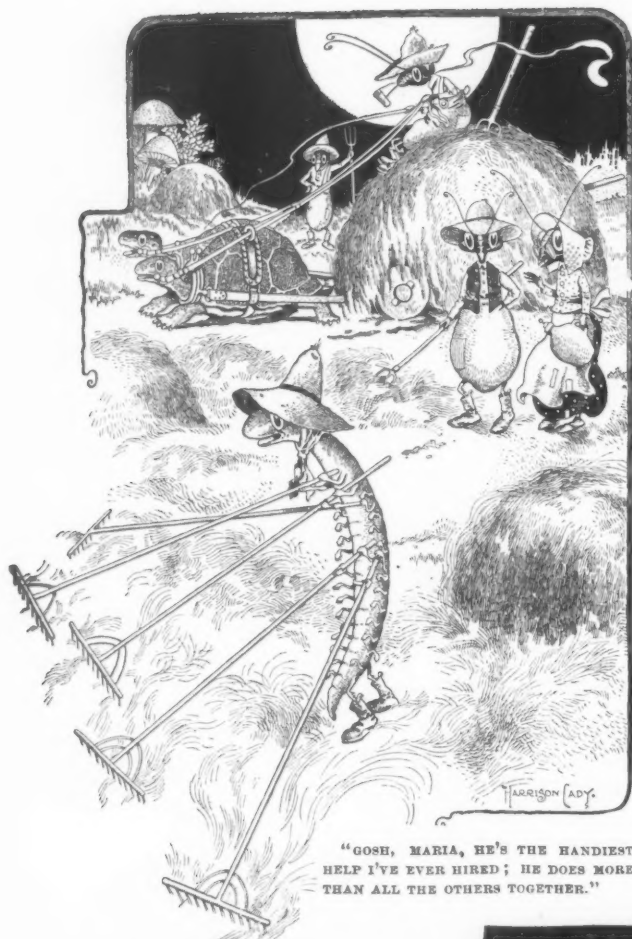
The State universities, in theory at least, are free. It might be worth while to keep them free, for the Lord only knows what is coming to pass.

Criminology.

DR. ARTHUR McDONALD, Criminologist in the United States Department of Education, warns people against eating meat and potatoes, if they would avoid becoming criminals.

One recalls, with a creepy feeling, that Mr. J. P. Morgan has a tall glass of milk and a piece of pie brought in for his lunch.

However, a man is presumed innocent, under our law, until he is proved guilty.



JOHN H. CHADWICK'S volume upon *William Ellery Channing* is a brilliant and scholarly contribution to biographical literature. Channing, the theologian; Channing, the reformer, and Channing, the man, stand out from its pages against the background of the religious and political Boston of his day, its living issues and dead controversies illuminated by Mr. Chadwick's critical fire. (Houghton, Mifflin and Company. \$1.75.)

In *The Story of an East Side Family* Lillian W. Betts has attempted to furnish a vehicle of fiction for a sociological study of New York tenement life. In the result the vehicle is somewhat overloaded and often drags or threatens to break down. Yet to

readers of a semi-serious turn the book will probably offer sufficient material of interest to outweigh its defects. (Dodd, Mead and Company. \$1.50.)

Joseph A. Altsheler, the author of many Revolutionary tales, has abandoned the Colonial period in his new book, *Before the Dawn, a Story of the Fall of Richmond*. To the exploiting of this later period he brings the same careful study and the same plodding and matter-of-fact industry which marked his earlier methods. His stories are by no means uninteresting, but once read they easily join the silent majority of forgotten fiction. (Doubleday, Page and Company. \$1.50.)

Golden Fleece, by David Graham Phillips, is great fun. These American adventures of a fortune-hunting earl are told with an apparently ingenuous and childlike sincerity which makes their hidden satire all the more amusing. (McClure, Phillips and Company. \$1.50.)

The story of a young authoress who opens an agency for the sale of literary ideas, and the results of her careless disposal of one plot to two authors, is told in Annie Flint's extravaganza, *A Girl of Ideas*. Enough, especially enough nonsense, equals a feast, and the chief defect of *A Girl of Ideas* is its tendency to become an orgy. (Charles Scribner's Sons. \$1.50.)

Red-Headed Gill is the romance of a young Cornish heroine, whose body was inhabited by the reincarnated soul of her own ancestress by ten removes. The story, which is by Rye Owen, is fairly well written and, as such imaginative vagaries go, rather interesting. (Henry Holt and Company. \$1.50.)

Barbara, a Woman of the West is a novel with little to recommend it. It tells the story of a husband's disappearance in the Colorado gold fields, of his wife's search for him, of her subsequent marriage and his unexpected return. The characters, however, are colorless and their adventures perfunctory. The author is John H. Whitson. (Little, Brown and Company, Boston.)

J. B. Kerfoot.

ONE could get along if it were only Providence; but there are the neighbors.



"LOOK! JI-JIMMY, WHA-WHAT IS IT?"
"GEE! IT MUST BE A TIRELESS MESSENGER BOY."



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TOO MUCH BALLAST.

Pie and Puritanism.

THE decadence of Puritanism is chiefly due to various preparations of sawdust being eaten for breakfast throughout New England, instead of the cold pie which was formerly the *pièce de résistance* of the matutinal meal there.

Cold pie eaten at breakfast gets in its work while yet the nervous force, recruited by sleep, is largely unspent. The result is the fierce, aggressive hatefulness that is the very life of Puritanism.

But cold pie for lunch or dinner merely brings on a gloomy and profitless apathy. It might as well never be eaten, from the religious point of view.

It is worth any man's while to eat cold pie for breakfast a time or two, if only in order to appreciate the fine irony of Baxter's Saints' Rest.

Immigration.

THE dregs of Europe come to us. But our smart set go abroad to live. It's a swap.

And dregs made dregs by exterior pressure are better than dregs made dregs by interior degeneracy.

A land flowing with milk and honey needs an occasional inundation of people having the saving grace of poverty.



A COMMENTATOR.

The Prayer of the Predaceous.



NOW this is the prayer of the Bull and Bear
At the shrine of the God of Gold,
Where the shadow cast by a Christian spire
And the westering sun's effulgent fire
Down a narrow street unrolled :

"O Lord of the Merger and Trust and Pool,
Of Gammon and Greed and Sham !
'Man cannot live by bread alone,'
So, give us our daily lamb.

"We need his fleece to keep us warm,
His fat when the nights are cool ;
And, after all, he's an only child
And twin-brother to a fool.

"We won't do a thing to the fresh young sheep
But teach him to gambol and play ;
We'll feed him on only the best of 'shorts'
And beautiful 'long' baled hay.

"He shall not suffer the pangs of thirst ;—
This woolly stray from the flock ;—

For innocence we love and prize,
And always water our stock.

"The lion lies down with the lamb (inside),
So why not the Bull and Bear?
We will show him 'cover,' we'll take him in,
We've plenty of room to spare.

"His *mint*-sauce let him bring with him ;—
'The long green' that's nice with *game* ;—
And he shall join our *Browning* Club
And learn what is in a name.

"Then, 'let us return to our mutton' :—
With *current* funds (which is jam) :—
He shall have a plunge in our deepest pool,
And come out a steel-spring-lamb.

"O slightly Alloyed Auriferous God,
Hear thy humble beasts who prey !
Thy Knights of the Golden Fleece are we,
And we worship thee night and day."

W. E. P. French.



Society.

MRS. DONTGIV ADAM and her delightful sister-in-law, Mrs. Runn M. Downe are at present automobiling through China. Since China is the most densely populated country in the world they may meet with fair success.

Miss Handmea Hyeball gives a dinner dance for her friend, Mile. Eau de Vie, of the French legation, to-night. The cotillion will begin at eight to-morrow morning, conducted by Mr. Leeds Theegang. Among the numerous favors will be diamond-studded suspenders and pearl garters.

Mr. I. M. Allwaze-Loded has left town. He does not know where he is going.

The Muchinprints will sail for Hadesboro' on the Jimminy der Grosse next Monday. They have engaged the nine upper decks.

Mrs. Brayzan Pusher came very near drinking a second cup of tea at the Krowda's afternoon. But Mrs. Parvenu Plump happened to sneeze just at that moment and her attention was distracted.

Mr. and Mrs. McEvor Ondek may go to Boston next week. If they do go they will both wear clothes. She was one of the Boston Bonds. All the Bonds are interesting.

It is whispered that F. Somewhat Punkyns is cultivating the society of Miss Tootoo Kylling. Her father is worth about thirty millions, and Miss Tootoo herself can read sitting up.

Literature.

Pearls from Southern Seas. Ten words spoken by Robert Louis Stevenson and hitherto unpublished. With critical notes by members of the faculties of letters in the Universities of Oxford, Berlin and Edinburgh. Four hundred illustrations and fifty maps.

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Journalism.

A LAW which should hold a newspaper strictly to telling the truth were sumptuary legislation, affecting the most popular food for thought.

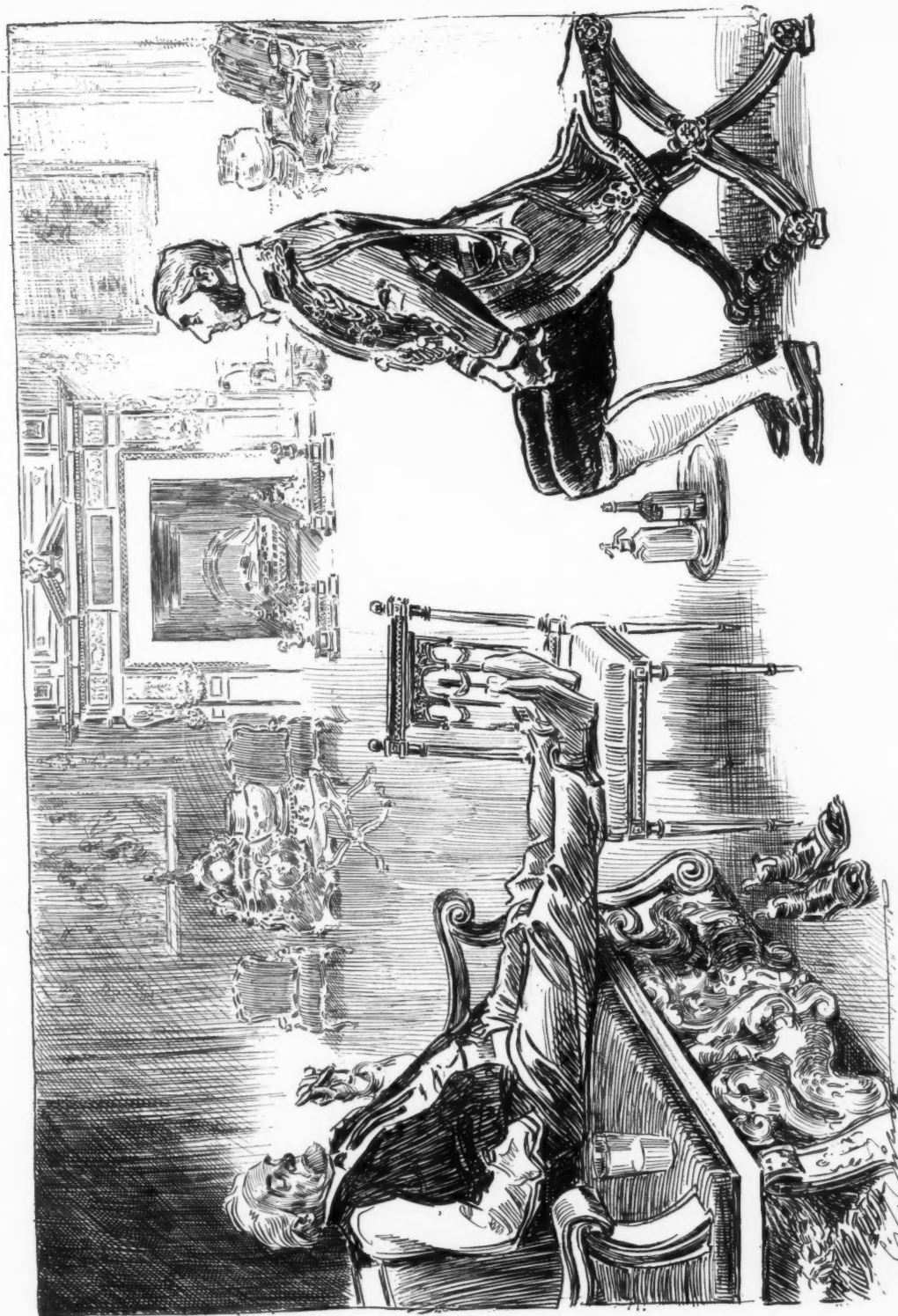
To be sure, truth is stranger than fiction, but there is a happy mean which is stranger than either.

We might as well properly restrict by law the number of colors in which the Sunday comic supplement may be printed.



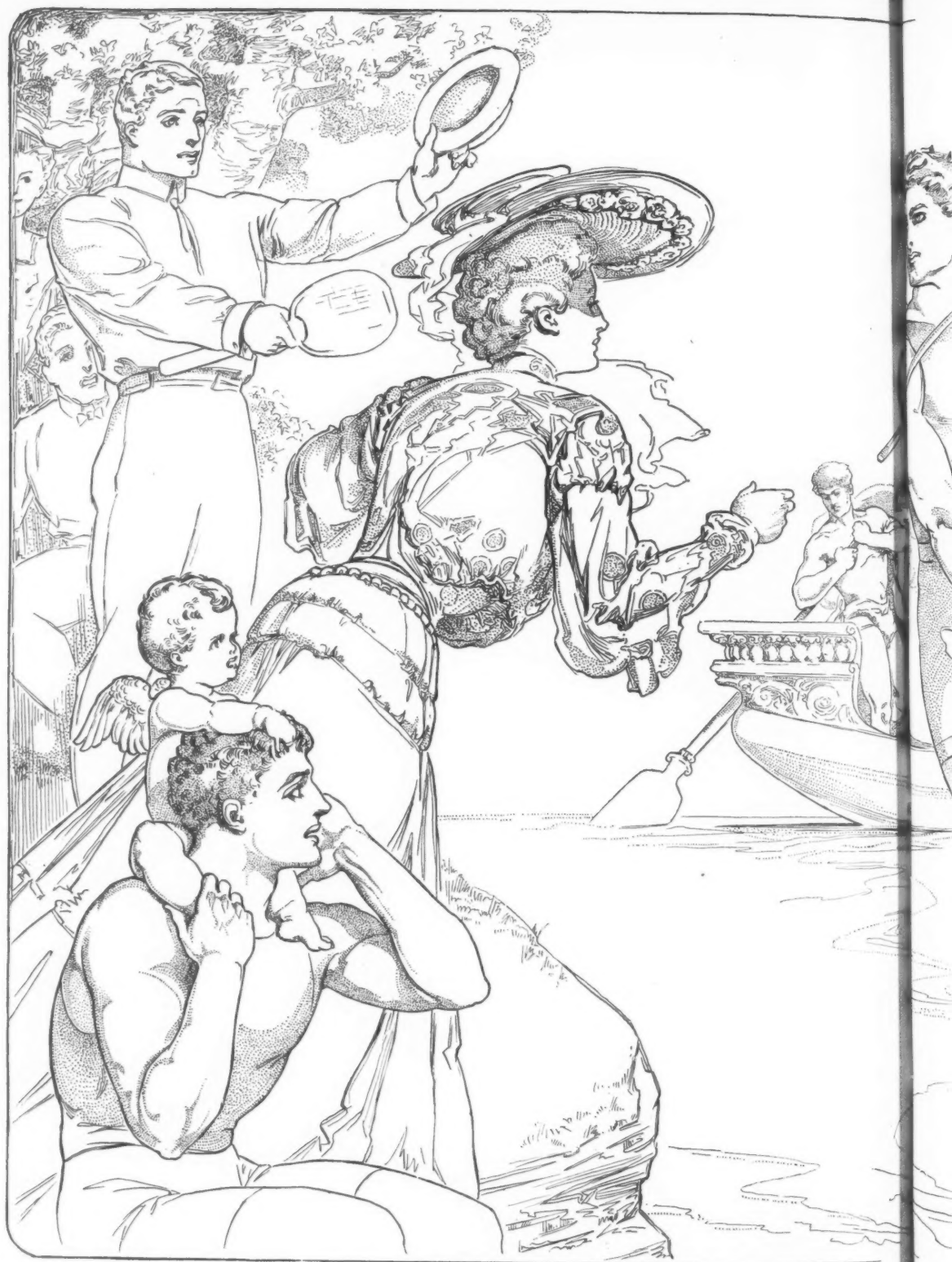
THE FELLEROCK.

Originally inhabited the oil regions, developing an enormous appetite ; rapidly stripped that country bare ; has now spread over the land, feeding upon everything which comes within its grasp, etc., etc.



THE WALKING DELEGATE OF THE FUTURE.
WHEN HE HAS HIS WAY.

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A WELCOME SUMMER.



Otha Cushing ~

Love's Fetter.

"LET'S kiss and part," he said. "Ah, Fate
Was wrong, to make us meet!
A brighter lot, a dearer mate,
May it be yours to greet—
Though both our hearts must feel the smart,
'Tis for the best! Let's kiss, and part."

"Yes—yes. Let's part," she said. "This is
My firm decision, too.
Let's part—'tis best! But—don't let's kiss—
No—that would never do!
For surely you must know, sweetheart,
That, if we kiss, we will *not* part!"

Madeline Bridges.

Harold and His Pa.



"WHY, pa, how
tired you look."
"Yes, Harold, I am
tired."

"And your shoes are so dusty,
as if you had been walking
through lots of it. Where have you been, pa?"

"I would tell you, Harold, if I thought I could
trust you."

"You can, pa, honest Injun. I won't say a
word to mamma."

"Well, I have been to the races."

"Races! What are they like?"

"Well, the races are a place where a lot of peo-
ple go, and then stand around and wait for their
horses to come in."

"And do their horses always come in?"

"Not always, Harold. I didn't wait for my
horse, but if I had, I don't believe he would be in
by this time."

"Well, that seems an awful funny thing to do.
Is it any fun?"

"Oh, yes, if you don't go too often. It's a
great deal of fun if you go about once every two
years."

"Well, I'll bet it costs money."

"What makes you think that, Harold?"

"Because mamma says that everything you do
when you are out of her sight costs money. But
what do the races look like, anyway?"

"Oh, there's a big ring for the horses to run
around in."

"Like a circus ring?"

"Yes, only a great deal larger and more expen-
sive."

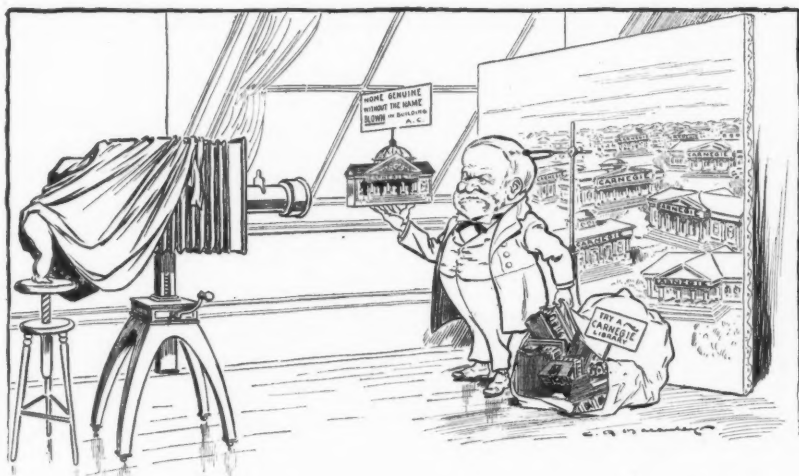
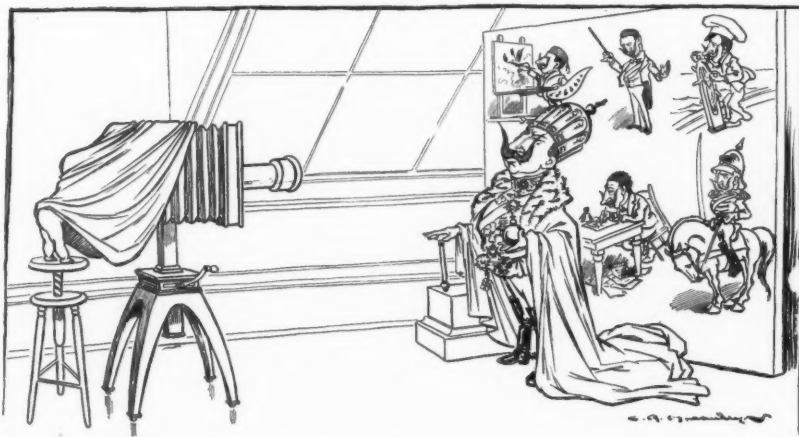
"You mean the ring itself, pa?"

"Yes, I mean the way you look at it also. You
can look at a circus ring for a dollar, but if you



"Let's kiss, and part."

IN LIFE'S PHOTOGRAPHIC GALLERY.



look at a racing ring long enough, you always go broke."

"What a funny word! What does going broke mean? Is it like breaking a horse? I've heard that used on a farm where we go in summer."

"Well, not exactly. You see, some one else breaks the horse, and then the horse breaks you. Going broke is what happens to a man just before all his friends go back on him."

"But do people always go broke at the race track, pa?"

"Not always, my son. Sometimes you do the right thing. It's the way you nod to the bookmaker."

"Well, well, how funny! Who is the bookmaker? Does he make books?"

"Yes, he makes books on the races."

"And are they interesting?"

"That depends. Sometimes they are bound in long green, and at others they look like thirty cents."

"But what do they contain?"

"Mostly fairy stories, my boy."

"And how does the bookmaker make them?"

"It's this way: You nod to the bookmaker, and if you nod right, you win. But if you nod wrong, he wins."

"But what makes you nod?"

"Oh, several things. Your private judgment tells you to nod a certain way. Then you start off to the bookmaker to give him the right nod, when you meet a man."

"Who is the man?"

"He is the friend with a tip. He tells you your own private judgment

is way off, and begs you to nod his way."

"And do you do it, pa?"

"Yes—almost always."

"What happens then?"

"Well, the horse you bet on nods all the way around the track, and the one your private judgment bet on wins all the money."

"Then what do you do?"

"Well, you kick yourself."

"How strange! I should think you would get some one else to kick you."

"Oh, no. Everybody is too busy. Just after a race all the people are divided into two classes. One class are shouting themselves hoarse and the other are kicking themselves."

"What a queer thing to do! They could have people there just on purpose to kick you, couldn't they?"

"Oh, certainly. But you would rather do it yourself. You love to, and if you go to the races often it becomes a habit. It's chronic with some people."

"My, how little I know for a boy of my age. But tell me, pa, what do you do then?—after you have nodded wrong?"

"Well, you wait for the next race to try and square yourself."

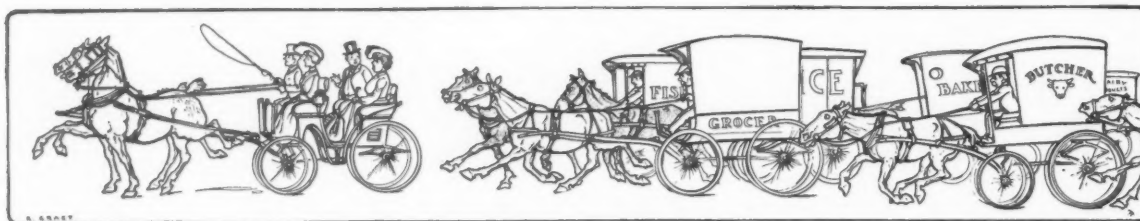
"What is square yourself, pa?"

"I can't explain exactly, but it's something like trying to square a circle—at the races. You see, you have lost money on the first race, and you make up your mind that this time you will get it back."

"Oh, I know. This time you do what you said you would do before—



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you nod according to your private judgment."

"Well, not exactly, my son. You start off to do it, but you don't."

"What happens then? Do you meet another man?"

"Yes."

"Who is he?"

"Well, he is a man with a system."

"Oh, my! What is a system?"

"A system is a way of going broke mathematically; that is, by arithmetic."

"And does it always work?"

"Always, my boy—if you try it long enough."

"Then why do you pay any attention to the man with a system?"

"This time, Harold, I don't know the answer. All I know is that you do."

"Then you lose again?"

"Yes."

"Say, pa, I'll bet the next time you start to nod according to your private judgment, you meet another man."

"You are a bright boy, Harold. You have hit the nail on the head."

"And who is he?"

"He is a man who is in the business. He has spent his entire life in studying the horses, and he knows

which horse will most certainly win."

"But does he really, pa? Now, no joking."

"Yes, my boy, always! That is, except just this one particular, special time when he tells you how to nod."

"Isn't that too bad? And you nod wrong again."

"Yes. Again."

"And then what do you do?"

"Can't you guess? You are such a bright boy."

"Let's see. I—Oh, yes, I know."

"Well, what?"

"You walk home!"

"Good! When you grow, my dear boy, you will be a regular Sherlock Holmes."

Tom Masson.

Fanatical.

"THE Fulanis fought with fanatical bravery.

"Thirty chiefs, gathered about the Emir's great white flag, were defiant to the last, and their corpses were found hedging the standard."—*Press Dispatches.*

Just how fanatical the bravery of the Fulanis was is made clear by Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, who rises in his place in Parliament to say that the discomfiture of these heathen has added one hundred thousand square miles to the domain of Merrie England.

Unfit.

THE Railway King was furious.

Fire shot from his eyes and sulphurous smoke poured from his nostrils.

"Dismiss him!" he roared. "This is the second time that he has missed a good chance to insult the public. He hasn't the ability to be president of a coal road."

But just here a report of twenty people being killed in a collision was laid before the King, whereat he laughed gleefully and forgot much of his anger.

Clothes.

THE Countess was gorgeous, but the Earl was rather shabbily dressed.—*Account of the Yarmouths.*

It is true the cables quote peers dull and flabby. But the suggestion that a real earl can be had for his board, saying nothing about clothes, is hardly to be entertained.

THE man deceived at home deserves to be.



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And Venus might as well have been a Bust.

And fear not lest your Rheumatism seize
The Joy of Life from other people's Sprees;
The Art will not have Perished—au contraire,
Posterity will practise it with Ease.
—Josephine Daskam, in *June Harper's*.

MRS. SAMUEL CLEMENS was Miss Olivia Langdon. For some years before she met Mr. Clemens she had been confined to her bed with what was believed to be an incurable disease; but she was at length miraculously restored to health. The cure was the sensation of Elmira, N. Y., and young Clemens, then a newspaper reporter, was sent there to interview Miss Langdon on her recovery.

He obtained the interview for his newspaper, and brought back impressions of more value to himself.

Miss Langdon's parents were at first strongly opposed to the young newspaper man, and, for his part, his timidity, so it is solemnly said, stood in the way of the progress of his suit. But finally he screwed up courage to speak to Mr. Langdon, and one morning timidly entered his future father-in-law's private office, where that man was seated at work.

"Mr. Langdon—have you—noticed anything—between—your daughter—and—me?"

"No!" shouted the objecting parent, wheeling sharply around so as to get a full view of his visitor.

"Well," said the young man, as he turned to the door ready for instant flight, "if you—keep—a—sharp—lookout—you—WILL!"

—*New York Tribune*.

J. LEWIS DONOVAN, who has charge of the issuing of citizens' papers in the office of United States Commissioner Shields in New York, tells some queer stories of his dealings with men of different nations who want to become citizens. His patience is tried by the Italians. They are intensely eager

for citizen's papers, and resort to all sorts of tricks to secure them. When they take the oath of allegiance before United States Commissioner Shields, all the formal questions require answers in the affirmative. This has simplified matters for their instructors. The candidates for citizenship, most of whom have not been in the country long enough to understand more than a word or two of English, are told to answer "yes" or "sure" to every question put to them.

Occasionally, however, when Commissioner Shields suspects that a candidate is unworthy, he does not show it in his demeanor, but just changes the questions. Not long ago he asked a candidate: "Do you renounce allegiance to the King of Italy?"

"Sure," answered the Italian.

"Will you take up arms against our President?"

"Sure," came the reply, with a promptness and a note of sincerity indicating long practice.

"Will you trample upon the American flag?"

"Sure."

"Will you sack and burn Washington?"

"Sure."

"Will you gloat over the nation's ruin?"

"Sure."

At this point, when the candidate thought all was well, the commissioner sprang up and shouted: "Get out of here, you unworthy fellow," which so frightened the terrified Italian that he bolted for the door without attempting to find out just wherein he had failed to follow the leaders who had schooled him so carefully.—*New York Sun*.

THE winter had been unusually severe, and the lake from which the ice company gathered its crop was frozen to a much greater depth than usual.

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GEOMETRICAL BOARDING.

A Kansas girl attending Vassar College sends the *Journal* the following excerpt from what the students of that institution call "The Domestic Euclid."

Definitions:

1. All boarding-houses are the same boarding-house.

2. Boarders in the same boarding-house and on the same flat are equal to one another.

3. A single room is that which hath no parts and no magnitude.

4. The landlady of the boarding-house is a parallelogram—that is, an oblong angular figure that cannot be described, and is equal to anything.

5. A wrangle is the disinclination to each other of two boarders that meet together but are not on the same floor.

6. All the other rooms being taken, a single room is said to be a double room.

Postulates and propositions:

1. A pie may be produced any number of times.

2. The landlady may be reduced to her lowest terms by a series of propositions.

3. A bee-line may be made from any boarding-house to any other boarding-house.

4. The clothes of a boarding-house bed, stretched ever so far both ways, will not meet.

5. Any two meals at a boarding-house are together less than one square feed.

6. On the same bill and on the same side of it there should not be two charges for the same thing.

7. If there be two boarders on the same floor, and the amount of side of the one be equal to the amount of side of the other, and the wrangle between the one boarder and the landlady be equal to the wrangle between the landlady and the other boarder, then shall the weekly bills of the two boarders be equal. For if not, let one bill be the greater, then the other bill is less than it might have been, which is absurd.—*Kansas City Journal*.

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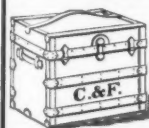


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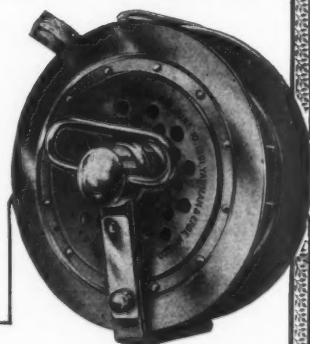


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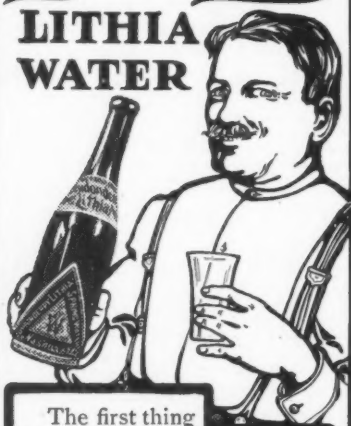
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